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Security Council

10:00	7698th meeting [webcast]	Security Council Chamber
	1. Adoption of the agenda	
	2. The situation in Libya	
Morning (following the adjournment of the 7698th meeting)	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room
	Middle East (Syria)	
	Other matters	
15:00	7699th meeting [webcast]	Security Council Chamber
	1. Adoption of the agenda	
	2. Peace and security in Africa	
	Challenges in the Sahel region	
Afternoon (following the adjournment of the 7699th meeting)	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room
	United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Guinea-Bissau (UNIOGBIS)	
	Other matters	

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General Assembly

Seventieth session

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	All outstanding issues	

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

11:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

Credentials Committee

09:00 to 10:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room B

Plenary

10:00	25th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Credentials of representatives to the Conference [item 6] (*continued*)

   (b) Report of the Credentials Committee

2. Consideration and adoption of the outcome of the resumed Review Conference [item 11]

Drafting Committee

Morning (following the adjournment of the 25th meeting) to 13:00 — Conference Room 11

Plenary

15:00	26th meeting	Conference Room 2
	Consideration and adoption of the outcome of the resumed Review Conference [item 11] (*continued*)	

Drafting Committee

Afternoon (following the adjournment of the 26th meeting) to 18:00 — Conference Room 11

[*PaperSmart* arrangements will be available for the duration of the resumed Review Conference. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart8@un.org. The entity name, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. PDF format is preferred. To access the PaperSmart of the resumed Review Conference, please *click here*. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *twenty* hardcopies of the text for the technical services *no later than one hour* before delivery of the statement. To consult the list of side events, please *click here*.]

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations system in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

10:00 to 13:00 Informal meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Opening statement by the Vice-President of the Council (Honduras)
2. Panels on the theme "Delivering the 2030 Agenda: The role of the United Nations development system in middle-income countries"

   Presentations and interactive discussion

   [For details on the panels, please *click here*.]

15:00 to 18:00 Informal meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Continuation of the panels on the theme "Delivering the 2030 Agenda: The role of the United Nations Development system in middle-income countries"

   Presentations and interactive discussion

   [For details on the panels, please *click here*.]
2. Closing remarks by the Vice-President of the Council (Honduras)

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2016 resumed session

10:00 to 13:00 23rd meeting Conference Room 1

15:00 to 18:00 24th meeting Conference Room 1

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2016/CRP.8 and E/C.2/2016/CRP.9) [item 3 (a)]

[Members of the Committee, as well as observers who wish to attend the session, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbal to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org), with a copy to komatina@un.org; Room S-3057. Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the Web site of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*). Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.]

Other meetings

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Event entitled "International Law for the Protection of Cultural Heritage against Illicit Trafficking: Presentations, Challenges and Effective Implementation" (co-organized by the Francophone Ambassadors Group, the Permanent Missions of France and Tunisia, the International Organization of la Francophonie (OIF) and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

09:30 to 12:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited (the event will be in French only). For further information, please contact Ms. Ines Lopes, UNESCO (e-mail ih.lopes@unesco.org).

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room E

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D

High-level event entitled "International Law on Peace and Justice" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Haiti, Kiribati, Romania and South Africa)

11:30 to 13:00 *Conference Room 7*

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Baraniko Baaro, Permanent Mission of Kiribati (e-mail kimission.newyork@mfa.gov.ki; tel. 1 (212) 867-3310); or Ms. Heather Ken (e-mail iwpgusa@gmail.com; tel. 1 (973) 204-7660).

Margaret Vogt Memorial Lecture Series Event entitled "What is the Impact of the Economic Crisis on Democracy? Evidence from Europe" (co-organized by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA))

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 8

All are invited. For more information, please contact Mr. Kieran Lettrich, International IDEA (e-mail k.lettrich@idea.int; tel. 1 (212) 286-1084).

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level) (and the Delegation of the European Union)

16:30 to 18:00 Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link
www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Friday, 27 May 2016

15:00 Conference Room 4

Informal informal consultations on a revised draft resolution on the follow-up and review framework of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the global level

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Tuesday, 31 May 2016

15:00 Conference Room 12

Informal informal consultations on the zero draft of the political declaration, as part of the preparatory process for the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

10:00 Conference Room 2

Informal meeting (closed) of the General Assembly on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase ir the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org).]

10:00 Conference Room 12

15:00 Conference Room 12

Informal informal consultations on the zero draft of the political declaration, as part of the preparatory process for the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS

Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

Friday, 27 May 2016

15:00 to 18:00 39th meeting Conference Room 3

Sixth Biennial Meeting of States to Consider the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

Monday, 6, to Friday, 10 June 2016 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda and programme of work are contained in documents A/CONF.192/BMS/2016/L.1 and A/CONF.192/BMS/2016/L.2, respectively. For further information, please *click here*.

Participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary, Mr. Kenji Nakano (e-mail chen50@un.org); fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Informal briefings

Thursday, 9 June 2016

10:30 to 12:00 Conference Room 12

Report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2015

Friday, 10 June 2016

14:00 to 15:30 Conference Room 9

Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

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Monday, 13 June 2016

10:30 to 12:00 Conference Room 6

Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2015

Informal negotiations on draft decisions

Monday, 13 June 2016

12:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

Draft decision 2016/1: Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

Friday, 17 June 2016

14:00 to 15:00 Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/1: Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

15:00 to 16:00 Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/2: Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2015

16:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/3: Report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2015

[Given the limited duration of the annual session, the negotiations on the above draft decisions will continue within the timeframe of the Board session on Monday, 27, and Tuesday, 28 June 2016. Further details on the annual session will be published in due course. Draft decisions and any relevant information will be electronically circulated by the secretariat, on behalf of the facilitators, initially for written comments.]

Pre-session informal meeting

Monday, 20 June 2016

10:00 to 10:30 Conference Room 4

As per its rules of procedure, pre-session informal meeting of the Executive Board in advance of the 2016 annual session

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

Open briefing

Wednesday, 8 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi (Spain), will hold an open briefing to all Member States on the work of the Committee and the comprehensive review of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). All Member States are invited.

Formal open consultations

Monday, 20, to Wednesday, 22 June 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), as set forth in paragraph 3 of resolution 1977 (2011), is currently conducting a comprehensive review on the status of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). In this connection, the Chair of the 1540 Committee, His Excellency Román Oyarzun

Marchesi (Spain), will convene formal open consultations of the Committee with Member States, relevant international and regional organizations, and appropriate sectors of civil society. Additional information will be provided in the near future.

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations system

Friday, 27 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

The Vice-President of the Council (Honduras) will convene informal follow-up consultations to the workshops of the Council dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system. The morning session will focus on the functions and funding of the United Nations development system, and the afternoon session will focus on partnership approaches. Questions to guide the discussions have been circulated to all Member States and are available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

For further information, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Mr. Kirit Patel (e-mail patelk@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3944)).

Briefing

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

13:30 to 15:00 Conference Room 8

Briefing, convened by the Vice-President of the Council (Switzerland), on the annual report of the Secretary-General on "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (A/71/82–E/2016/60) and on the preparations for the humanitarian affairs segment of the 2016 session of the Economic and Social Council

All are invited.

Informal consultations

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 8

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution of the humanitarian affairs segment (under agenda item 9) of the 2016 session of the Council, convened by the co-facilitators (Bangladesh and Switzerland), on behalf of the vice-presidency of the Council (Switzerland)

Coordination and management meeting

Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 3 June 2016 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Coordination and management meeting, chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, His Excellency Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava (Zimbabwe)

For additional information, including the programme of work, please consult the Website of the Council (*click here*) or contact Mr. Marc-André Dorel, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail dorel@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7204).

The schedule of the *general discussion* of the items to be considered during the coordination and management meeting is listed in the programme of work (please *click here*). Requests for inscription on the *list of speakers* should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Theresa Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org; Room S-1281)). Inscriptions to the list of speakers will *close by 17:00* of the preceding day. The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the meetings of the Council to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that *only one list of participants will be issued at the end of the 2016 session of the Council*, containing the names of the participants to the 2016 session of the Council.

Delegations are reminded that *PaperSmart services* will be available for the duration of the 2016 session of the Council. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the Council's PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour in advance* of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Council's PaperSmart Portal after its delivery by delegations. To access the PaperSmart portal of the Council, please *click here*.

First annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals

Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 June 2016 Conference Room 1

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 69/313 and 70/1, the first annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (STI forum) on the theme "Realizing the potential of science, technology and innovation for all to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals", convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council (Republic of Korea), will take place.

There will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are encouraged to refrain from reading prepared statements.

All are invited to attend. Since a flexible seating arrangement will be used, Member States that are not members of the Council, representatives of intergovernmental organizations as well as of the United Nations system that wish to participate, should communicate their intention to participate to the secretariat (e-mail duap@un.org), *no later than 12:00, on Wednesday, 1 June 2016*, in order to be provided a seat in the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more details on the STI forum, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail liuw@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3212). Additional information is also available on the website of the STI forum (*click here*) and the tentative programme is available by *clicking here*.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Informal briefing

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

Informal briefing on: (a) UNICEF Office of Internal Audit and Investigations 2015 annual report to the Executive Board and management response; and (b) Report of the Ethics Office of UNICEF for 2015

All interested delegations are invited.

Annual session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016 Conference Room 3

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2016/5. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by *clicking here*. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but *no later than Friday, 10 June 2016*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The upcoming 2016 annual session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board website.

All session documents will continue to be available on the existing 'Documents' webpage, as per established practice. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board homepage will provide a link to the 'In-session' webpage that will make available all supporting documentation (Powerpoints and statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the 'In-session' webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website. The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for individual delegations.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal briefing

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

10:00 to 12:00

Hank Shannon Conference Room
(DC1-Building, 21st Floor)

Informal briefing on the revised UNDP evaluation policy

All interested delegations are invited.

Annual session 2016

Monday, 6, to Friday, 10 June 2016

Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2016/L.2. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list, to Ms. Henrietta Bledman (e-mail henrietta.bledman@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org) for UNFPA.

The annual session 2016 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission.

Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal. Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *15 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

United Nations Population Fund

Informal consultation

Friday, 27 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

Informal consultation on the midterm review of the UNFPA strategic plan and integrated budget for 2014-2017; and a briefing on the funding situation of UNFPA

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services; the United Nations Children's Fund; the World Food Programme; and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Joint meeting

Friday, 3 June 2016

10:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

All member and observer delegations are invited.

United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultation

Friday, 3 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room A

Informal consultation on the annual report of the Executive Director of UNOPS

All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming conferences at Headquarters

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of the States Parties
Ninth session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are *164* States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is *109* States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

The *general debate* will take place on Tuesday, 14 June in the morning. To facilitate the preparation of list of speakers, *is open* for inscription, delegations are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat, *by 17:00, Tuesday, 7 June 2016, at the latest*, the relevant information, indicating the full name and title of the speaker. Inscriptions, shall be sent directly to the secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org).

The *election* to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information).

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the secretariat via e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905).

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For *further information* concerning the Conference of the States Parties, please contact the secretariat via e-mail (zhangg@un.org and enable@un.org), or visit UN Enable website (www.un.org/disabilities).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

Friday, 27 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Third meeting on "Protecting Cultural Heritage – An Imperative for Humanity: Acting Together against the Destruction and Trafficking of Cultural Property by Terrorist Groups and Organized Crime" (at the expert level) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy and Jordan, INTERPOL, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Friday, 27 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact Mr. Luigi Marini, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail luigi.marini@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5336).

Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC) (monthly meeting)

Friday, 27 May 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

High-level event entitled "National Contributions to Sustainable Development Goal 7 and Sustainable Energy for All (Astana EXPO-2017): Exploring New Horizons" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan, the Department of Economic and Social Council (DESA), the United Nations Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS), Sustainable Energy for All, the National Company Astana EXPO-2017, Nazarbayev University, the International Secretariat of G-Global and the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development)

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Ruslan Bultrikov, Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan (e-mail bultrikov@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 230-1900).

Special event entitled "Building Bridges – Not Boycotts" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Israel)

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

10:00 to 12:00 General Assembly Hall

13:15 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 4

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Michal Carmeli, Permanent Mission of Israel (e-mail unevents@newyork.mfa.gov.il; tel. 1 (212) 499-5696).

Special event entitled "Fast Track the HIV/AIDS Response for Adolescents and Youth" (on the occasion of the negotiations on the political declaration of the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Kenya and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA))

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room B

All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Renata Cap, UNFPA (e-mail cap@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-5187).

Event entitled "E-Justice: Sharing National Experiences in Enhancing Transparency, Effectiveness and Access to Justice" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy, Mexico and Turkey and the Rule of Law Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (on behalf of the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group))

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (Ms. Adriana de la Espriella (e-mail delaespriella@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2962); or Ms. Lilibeth Benitez (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2935)).

Technical briefing on "Monitoring the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030 and promoting coherence with the Sustainable Development Goals" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Jamaica, in collaboration with the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) and the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ina Hidayat, UNISDR (e-mail hidayat@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9534).

Event on "The Importance of Fatherhood and Motherhood for Integral Development" (organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, in collaboration with the Universal Peace Federation)

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For more information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail office@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885).

Panel discussion on "Promoting Migrant Integration and Combating Xenophobia" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and South Africa, in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration (IOM))

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kate Gough, IOM (e-mail kgough@iom.int; tel. 1 (212) 681-7000, ext. 263); or *click here*. To register, please *click here*.

Round table on "Prevention of Violent Extremism through Education" (co-organized by the secretariat of the United Nations Secretary-General's Global Education First Initiative (UNSG GEFI), in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Andorra, the Republic of Korea and Tunisia)

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 12:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Boran Choi, Global Education First Initiative (e-mail b.choi@unesco.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5989). For registration, please *click here*.

Panel discussion on "Prosecuting Conflict-Related Sexual Violence: Lessons Learned from the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY)" (with the ICTY Prosecutor and Principal Legal Counsel) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Belgium and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Tuesday, 7 June 2016

11:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Emily Kenney, UN-Women (e-mail emily.kenney@unwomen.org).

Event entitled "Fighting Slavery: Is there a Role for International Criminal Justice?" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein, in collaboration with the United Nations University)

Friday, 10 June 2016

15:00 to 16:30 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information and for registration, please contact Mr. Joern Eiermann, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail je@nyc.llv.li).

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

General Assembly

Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020

Antalya, Turkey (27-29 May 2016)

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 69/231 of 19 December 2014 and 70/216 of 22 December 2015, a Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020 will take place in Antalya, Turkey.

For more information, please *click here*.

Representatives of Member States and Observers of the General Assembly wishing to inscribe on the *list of speakers for plenary meetings* are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; with copy to muturi@un.org).

Also, Members States or other participants are invited to indicate to the secretariat, by e-mail (assaj@un.org) their *preferred round tables* in which they wish to participate in, with a view to obtaining reserved seats, as well as provide a second choice, in the event that their first-preferred roundtable is unavailable due to capacity limits.

Announcements

Briefing to permanent missions

There will be a briefing to permanent missions by the Assistant Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management on the new e-Speakers system to be launched in June 2016. The briefing will be held on Thursday, 2 June 2016, from 15:00 to 16:00, in Conference Room 1. Focal points and back-up users from the missions are invited to attend this briefing. Note verbale 16/227 on the briefing was sent to all permanent missions on Monday, 23 May 2016.

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

International Conference on the Question of Jerusalem
(Dakar, Senegal) (3-4 May 2016)

The Conference was convened in Dakar, Senegal, by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC). The Conference provided up-to-date information on the current situation in East Jerusalem, identified opportunities for international support for resilient development, and provided a platform for an open exchange on possible scenarios for a just and lasting settlement of the question of Jerusalem. It was attended by 42 Member States, two Observer States, three intergovernmental organizations, three United Nations system entities and 34 civil society organizations, as well as invited expert speakers and the media. For documents and videos, please *click here*.

2016 election of the International Law Commission

The election of the members of the Commission, for a five-year term beginning on Sunday, 1 January 2017, will take place at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly.

The permanent representatives are reminded that the Secretary-General would be grateful to receive, *in writing*, by *Wednesday, 1 June 2016*, the names of the candidates which their Government may wish to nominate for election to the International Law Commission, together with the statements of qualifications of such candidates.

For more information, please visit the website of the International Law Commission (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal affairs (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org).

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, *by Tuesday, 31 May 2016,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventy-first session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 44/1160, paras. 8 and 9, entitled "Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil Thereof", adopted on 15 December 1989 (Note verbale ODA/26-2016/WMD-Sea-Bed dated 12 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 69/61, para. 9, entitled "Women, disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/29-2016/WDNPAC dated 18 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 69/65, paras. 2, 3 and 4, entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/28-2016/DNPE dated 16 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/24, paras. 10 and 11, entitled "Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/38-2016/NWFZME dated 1 March 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/30, para. 4, entitled "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/9-2016/EN dated 15 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/31, para. 8, entitled "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/10-2016/ML dated 15 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/34, para. 14, entitled "Follow-up to the 2013 high-level meeting of the General Assembly on nuclear disarmament", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/22-2016/HLM-ND dated 11 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/36, para. 5, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/21-2016/WMD-T dated 11 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/39, para. 3, entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons and other explosive devices", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/37-2016/FMCT dated 25 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/42, para. 8, entitled "Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/40-2016/CMB dated 14 March 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/56, para. 3, entitled "Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/23-2016/ICJ dated 10 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/72, para. 8, entitled "Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/39-2016/SSCMR dated 4 March 2016 refers); and

Resolution 70/237, para. 4, entitled "Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security", adopted on 23 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/11-2016/IS dated 15 February 2016 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line (please *click here*), *by Friday, 27 May 2016,* the information relevant to Resolution 68/43, paras. 3, 4, 5 and 6 (a), entitled "Transparency in armaments", adopted on 5 December 2013 (Note verbale ODA/18-2016/TIA dated 4 March 2016 refers).

International Law Seminar for African Universities — Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The first International Law Seminar for African Universities is scheduled to take place at the Kofi Annan Centre in Accra, Ghana, from Monday, 15, to Friday, 26 August 2016, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of teachers from academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the host country, Ghana, the Kofi Annan Centre, the African Union and the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116.

Information concerning the seminar is available on the website of the African Institute of International Law. The seminar is subject to funding by voluntary contributions.

The Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations wishes to express her gratitude to China, Italy and New Zealand for their generous contributions to support the seminar. Additional voluntary contributions are urgently needed to support this seminar.

For more information, please see the website of the African Institute of International Law (*click here*); or contact the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (21 June 2016): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should only be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn. Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; Room S-2905)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room DC1-213)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the months of *May* and *June 2016*:

General Assembly documentation

Introduction to United Nations documents

Security Council documentation

Research on the United Nations Charter

Law Library overview

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 23 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

19th and 20th meetings — The summary of the 19th and 20th meetings of the Review Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/104).

Tuesday, 24 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

21st and 22nd meetings — The summary of the 21st and 22nd meetings of the Review Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/104).

Wednesday, 25 May 2016

Security Council

[archived video]

7695th meeting — *The situation in Liberia*

Letter dated 15 April 2016 from the Panel of Experts on Liberia established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2016/348)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2016/472, submitted by Angola, Japan, Senegal, Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2016/472) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2016/472) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2288 (2016).

After the vote statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Japan, Ukraine, China and Liberia.

7696th meeting — *Security Council mission*

Briefing by Security Council mission to the Horn of Africa (17 to 22 May 2016)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by the representative of the United Kingdom and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Egypt, on the Security Council mission to the Horn of Africa.

7697th meeting — *The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited Mr. Nickolay Mladenov, Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process and Personal Representative of the Secretary-General, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Mladenov, via video-teleconference from Jerusalem.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

23rd and 24th meetings — The summary of the 23rd and 24th meetings of the Review Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/104).

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2016 resumed session

21st meeting — *New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification* [item 3 (b)]

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, China, the Russian Federation, the United States, Azerbaijan, India, Greece, Nicaragua, the Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Mauritania, as well by the observers for Germany, the United Kingdom and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Israel, the Sudan and Nicaragua.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 13 non-governmental organizations, and that the status of one organization be reclassified from special consultative status to general.

22nd meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Mauritania, China, India, South Africa, Nicaragua, Turkey, Pakistan, the United States, the Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Russian Federation, as well as by the observers for Brazil and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The representatives of Nicaragua, the Russian Federation, India, China, South Africa and the United States posed questions to the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations: Chibuzor Human Resource Development Organization; Society for Protection of Street and Working Children; Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania; and Legal Resources Centre.

The Chair made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of India, Mauritania and the Sudan.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 5 non-governmental organizations.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Wednesday, 25 May 2016

General Assembly

International Law Commission
Sixty-eighth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

3304th meeting

Subsequent agreements and subsequent practice in relation to the interpretation of treaties [item 4]

The Commission continued its consideration of the Special Rapporteur's report on the topic (A/CN.4/694).

Programme, procedures, working methods of the Commission and its documentation [item 11]

The Chair of the Drafting Committee announced the following composition of the Drafting Committee on "Identification of customary international law": *Chair*: Mr. Pavel Šturma (Czech Republic); *Special Rapporteur*: Mr. Michael Wood (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland); *Members*: Mr. Pedro Comissario Afonso (Mozambique), Ms. Concepción Escobar Hernández (Spain), Mr. Mathias Forteau (France), Mr. Mahmoud D. Hmoud (Jordan), Mr. Maurice Kamto (Cameroon), Mr. Kriangsak Kittichaisaree (Thailand), Mr. Roman A. Kolodkin (Russian Federation), Mr. Donald M. McRae (Canada), Mr. Shinya Murase (Japan), Mr. Sean D. Murphy (United States of America), Mr. Georg Nolte (Germany), Mr. Ernest Petrič (Slovenia), Mr. Dire D. Tladi (South Africa), Mr. Marcelo Vázquez-Bermúdez (Ecuador) and Mr. Ki Gab Park (Republic of Korea) *(ex officio)*.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol II). Geneva, 10 October 1980

Acceptance: Côte d'Ivoire (25 May 2016)

Convention on the Rights of the Child. New York, 20 November 1989

Objection to the reservations made by Somalia upon ratification: Ireland (25 May 2016)

Protocol on Explosive Remnants of War to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol V). Geneva, 28 November 2003

Consent to be bound: Côte d'Ivoire (25 May 2016)

International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance. New York, 20 December 2006

Ratification: Sri Lanka (25 May 2016)

Declaration under article 32: Sri Lanka (25 May 2016)

Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products. Seoul, 12 November 2012

Ratification: Côte d'Ivoire (25 May 2016)

Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice for the Region of Latin America and the Caribbean
Mexico City (18-20 July 2016)

The seminar is co-organized by the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations (OLA) and the Office of the Legal Advisor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Mexican States.

The seminar will address the key aspects of treaty law and practice, including the depositary functions of the Secretary-General, final clauses of multilateral treaties, reservations and declarations, domestic treaty-making practices, and the registration and publication of treaties under article 102 of the Charter. In addition, special sessions will be devoted to international human rights instruments and the newly-adopted Paris Agreement on Climate Change. All presentations will be delivered in Spanish.

Aimed at providing a practical understanding of the law of treaties, the seminar will be of particular interest to members of foreign ministries and other government departments who work directly in treaty matters as part of their functions. Representatives from all States in the region of Latin America and the Caribbean are invited to participate. Participants are required to meet their own costs of participation.

For more information, please consult the United Nations Treaty Collection website (*click here*).

Further enquiries may be addressed to Mr. Jonathan Agar, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail agar@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2630).

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Zimbabwe
His Excellency Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava

Asia-Pacific States
Iraq
His Excellency Mohamed Ali Alhakim

Eastern European States
Bosnia and Herzegovina
His Excellency Miloš Vukašinović

Latin American and Caribbean States
Bahamas
His Excellency Elliston Rahming

Western European and other States
Monaco
Her Excellency Isabelle Picco

General Assembly

Seventieth session

For the online schedule of formal and informal meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

For *future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council* pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, the election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place *in the afternoon* on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

The *election of the President* of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the *election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees* at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-first session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/50.

Request for conference rooms and services at United Nations Headquarters

For reservation of conference rooms at United Nations Headquarters, please contact the Meeting Management Section/Central Planning and Coordination Division/Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (MMS/CPCD/DGACM) (e-mail emeetsm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8114; or 1 (212) 963-7351).

After a conference room has been assigned in eMeets, please contact the following offices if other services are also needed:

For access and security-related matters, please contact Lieutenant Malinda McCormack/DSS (e-mail mccormackm@un.org, or levyd@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7028);

For nameplates, podium signs and room set-up, please contact the Preparatory Work Team/DGACM (e-mail prepwork@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7348);

For PaperSmart Portal matters, please contact the PaperSmart Team/DGACM (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7349);

For publishing material for inclusion in the *Journal*, please contact the Journal Unit/DGACM (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888; or 1 (212) 963-0493);

For media access and accreditation, please contact the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit/DPI (e-mail malu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6934);

For detailed information on the policies and procedures regarding the use of conference rooms, facilities and services at the United Nations Headquarters, please refer to document ST/AI/416.

Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

Useful *links* to United Nations documentation resources can be found at www.un.org/documents. The Official Document System (ODS) features an enhanced search page (documents.un.org) which, using keywords, facilitates considerably the search and retrieval of documents.

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Based on RSS feeds (Really Simple Syndication), the latest edition of the *Journal* and parliamentary documents issued daily at Headquarters can be accessed readily on a computer or hand-held smart device. Sign-up is free and easy by visiting the eSubscription page at www.undocs.org.

An overview of all documents with the options "e-mail" or "RSS" next to each document category is located there. After sign-up, documents will be sent to the subscriber via e-mail as soon as they are made available. Comments, questions and suggestions are invited to be sent to help-desk@un.org.

The *DGACM Documents Assistance Centre (DAC)* located in the North Delegates Lounge in Room CB-0264 is a central point of support for delegates seeking documentation assistance. In addition, the Delegates' Documents Counter is located adjacent to the Accessibility Centre in Room S-01B32. To contact the DAC, please call 1 (212) 963-2105; and/or e-mail dac@un.org.

Conference Officer Desks and/or Documents Counters are located in each of the following conference rooms in the Secretariat Building: Conference Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4, the General Assembly Hall, the Economic and Social Council Chamber and the Trusteeship Council Chamber, where documents for the meeting being held at that time may be obtained.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed dpa-scsb3@un.org; Room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call 1 (212) 963-5258.

The *website of the Presidency* of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Information about previously *unscheduled meetings* and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling 1 (212) 963-5258.

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of *prepared statements* which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered.

Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; Room S-0220).

Information regarding the *Journal of the United Nations*

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Kindly take note that the English and French versions of the *Journal* are accessible to blind and visually impaired users via screen readers.

Back issues of the *Journal*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp and www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp. All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcome. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

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In addition, a hotline number for updates during weather emergencies or other urgent situations can be accessed by calling 1 (212) 963-9800.

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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Wednesday, 25 May 2016

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations http://documents.un.org in the electronic version of the present Journal.

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A/70/886–S/2016/458	Item 97 — General and complete disarmament — Letter dated 18 May 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

International Seabed Authority

Legal and Technical Commission
Twenty-second session

ISBA/22/LTC/11	Selection of candidates for a training programme proposed by l'Institut français de recherche pour l'exploitation de la mer — Recommendation by the Legal and Technical Commission [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

Security Council

A/70/886–S/2016/458	Letter dated 18 May 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
S/2016/459	Letter dated 19 May 2016 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*
S/2016/467	Letter dated 18 May 2016 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
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Programme of meetings and agenda

Friday, 27 May 2016

Security Council

15:00 — 7700th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Somalia

Afternoon (following the adjournment of the 7700th meeting) — 7701st meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East

   Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Security Council resolutions 2139 (2014), 2165 (2014), 2191 (2014) and 2258 (2015) (S/2016/460)

Afternoon (following the adjournment of the 7701st meeting) — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Middle East (Syria) (S/2016/460)

Middle East (Yemen)

Other matters

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General Assembly

Seventieth session

15:00 — Conference Room 4

Informal informal consultations on the final draft resolution on the follow-up and review framework of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the global level

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representative and permanent observer.]

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

15:00 to 18:00 — 39th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 3

1. Action on all outstanding issues
2. Closure of the work of the Fifth Committee during the second part of the resumed seventieth session of the General Assembly

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Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

11:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

1. Board of Auditors
2. Executive meeting

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

Plenary

10:00 — 27th meeting — Conference Room 2

Consideration and adoption of the outcome of the resumed Review Conference [item 11] *(continued)*

Drafting Committee

Morning (following the adjournment of the 27th meeting) to 13:00 — Conference Room 2

Plenary

15:00 to 18:00 — 28th meeting — Conference Room 2

1. Other matters [item 12]
2. Closure of the Conference [item 13]

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send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart8@un.org. The entity name, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. PDF format is preferred. To access the PaperSmart of the resumed Review Conference, please *click here*. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *twenty* hardcopies of the text for the technical services *no later than one hour* before delivery of the statement. To consult the list of side events, please *click here*.]

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations system

10:00 to 13:00 — Informal meeting — Conference Room 11

Follow-up consultations, convened by the Vice-President of the Council (Honduras), to the workshops of the Council dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system, focused on the functions and funding of the United Nations development system

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal meeting — Conference Room 11

Follow-up consultations, convened by the Vice-President of the Council (Honduras), to the workshops of the Council dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system, focused on partnership approaches

[Questions to guide the discussions have been circulated to all Member States and available on the website of the Council (*click here*). For further information, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Mr. Kirit Patel (e-mail patelk@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3944)).]

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2016 resumed session

10:00 to 13:00 — 25th meeting — Conference Room 1

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2016/CRP.8 and E/C.2/2016/CRP.9) [item 3 (a)]

15:00 to 18:00 — 26th meeting — Conference Room 1

1. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2016/CRP.8 and E/C.2/2016/CRP.9) [item 3 (a)]

2. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council (E/C.2/2016/2/Add.27, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.28, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.29, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.30, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.31, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.32, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.33, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.34, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.35, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.36, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.37, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.38, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.39, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.40, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.41, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.42, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.43, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.44, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.45, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.46 and E/C.2/2016/CRP.11) [item 4 (b)]

3. Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council (E/C.2/2016/CRP.10) [item 4 (a)]

4. Other related matters (E/C.2/2016/CRP.12, E/C.2/2016/CRP.13, E/C.2/2016/CRP.14, E/C.2/2016/CRP.15, E/C.2/2016/CRP.16 and E/C.2/2016/CRP.17) [item 6 (c)]

5. Consideration of special reports [item 7]

[Members of the Committee, as well as observers who wish to attend the session, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbal to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org), with a copy to komatina@un.org; Room S-3057. Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the Web site of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*). Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.]

United Nations Population Fund

Informal consultation

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

Informal consultation on the midterm review of the UNFPA strategic plan and integrated budget for 2014-2017; and a briefing on the funding situation of UNFPA

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Other meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Third meeting on "Protecting Cultural Heritage – An Imperative for Humanity: Acting Together against the Destruction and Trafficking of Cultural Property by Terrorist Groups and Organized Crime" (at the expert level) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy and Jordan, INTERPOL, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

For further information, please contact Mr. Luigi Marini, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail luigi.marini@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5336).

OIC Group (Sixth Committee experts

11:15 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room F

Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC) (monthly meeting)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

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Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

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General Assembly

Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020
Antalya, Turkey (*today*, 27, to Sunday, 29 May 2016)

[webcast]

For further information on the Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review, please *click here*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

15:00 Conference Room 12

Informal informal consultations on the zero draft of the political declaration, as part of the preparatory process for the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

10:00 Conference Room 2

Informal meeting (closed) of the General Assembly on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives.]

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the zero draft modalities resolution for the United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 24 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

10:00 Conference Room 12

15:00 Conference Room 12

Informal informal consultations on the zero draft of the political declaration, as part of the preparatory process for the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS

Sixth Biennial Meeting of States to Consider the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

Thursday, 2 June 2016

09:30 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 1

Open-ended informal consultations, chaired by His Excellency E. Courtenay Rattray (Jamaica), in his capacity as the Chair-designate of the Sixth Biennial Meeting of States

For relevant documents, please *click here*.

Monday, 6, to Friday, 10 June 2016 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda and programme of work are contained in documents A/CONF.192/BMS/2016/L.1 and A/CONF.192/BMS/2016/L.2, respectively. For further information, please *click here*.

Participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary, Mr. Kenji Nakano (e-mail chen50@un.org); fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Informal briefings

Thursday, 9 June 2016

10:30 to 12:00 — Conference Room 12

Report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2015

Friday, 10 June 2016

14:00 to 15:30 — Conference Room 9

Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

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Monday, 13 June 2016

10:30 to 12:00 — Conference Room 6

Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2015

Informal negotiations on draft decisions

Monday, 13 June 2016

12:00 to 13:00 — Conference Room 6

Draft decision 2016/1: Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

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Friday, 17 June 2016

14:00 to 15:00 — Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/1: Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

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15:00 to 16:00 — Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/2: Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2015

16:00 to 17:00 — Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/3: Report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2015

[Given the limited duration of the annual session, the negotiations on the above draft decisions will continue within the timeframe of the Board session on Monday, 27, and Tuesday, 28 June 2016. Further details on the annual session will be published in due course. Draft decisions and any relevant information will be electronically circulated by the secretariat, on behalf of the facilitators, initially for written comments.]

Pre-session informal meeting

Monday, 20 June 2016

10:00 to 10:30 Conference Room 4

As per its rules of procedure, pre-session informal meeting of the Executive Board in advance of the 2016 annual session

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Security Council

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 Security Council Chamber

The Security Council will hold an open debate on sexual violence in conflict, in connection with the agenda item "Women and peace and security".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406), starting *today*, 27 May 2016. Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

Open briefing

Wednesday, 8 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi (Spain), will hold an open briefing to all Member States on the work of the Committee and the comprehensive review of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). All Member States are invited.

Formal open consultations

Monday, 20, to Wednesday, 22 June 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), as set forth in paragraph 3 of resolution 1977 (2011), is currently conducting a comprehensive review on the status of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). In this connection, the Chair of the 1540 Committee, His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi (Spain), will convene formal open consultations of the Committee with Member States, relevant international and regional organizations, and appropriate sectors of civil society. Additional information will be provided in the near future.

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Briefing

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

13:30 to 15:00

Conference Room 8

Briefing, convened by the Vice-President of the Council (Switzerland), on the annual report of the Secretary-General on "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (A/71/82–E/2016/60) and on the preparations for the humanitarian affairs segment of the 2016 session of the Economic and Social Council

All are invited.

Informal consultations

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

15:00 to 18:00

Conference Room 8

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution of the humanitarian affairs segment (under agenda item 9) of the 2016 session of the Council, convened by the co-facilitators (Bangladesh and Switzerland), on behalf of the vice-presidency of the Council (Switzerland)

Coordination and management meeting

Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 3 June 2016

Economic and Social Council Chamber

Coordination and management meeting, chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, His Excellency Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava (Zimbabwe)

For additional information, including the programme of work, please consult the Website of the Council (*click here*) or contact Mr. Marc-André Dorel, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail dorel@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7204).

The schedule of the *general discussion* of the items to be considered during the coordination and management meeting is listed in the programme of work (please *click here*). Requests for inscription on the *list of speakers* should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Theresa Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org; Room S-1281)). Inscriptions to the list of speakers will *close by 17:00* of the preceding day. The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the meetings of the Council to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that *only one list of participants will be issued at the end of the 2016 session of the Council*, containing the names of the participants to the 2016 session of the Council.

Delegations are reminded that *PaperSmart services* will be available for the duration of the 2016 session of the Council. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the Council's PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour in advance* of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Council's PaperSmart Portal after its delivery by delegations. To access the PaperSmart portal of the Council, please *click here*.

First annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals

Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 June 2016 Conference Room 1

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 69/313 and 70/1, the first annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (STI forum) on the theme "Realizing the potential of science, technology and innovation for all to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals", convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council (Republic of Korea), will take place.

There will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are encouraged to refrain from reading prepared statements.

All are invited to attend. Since a flexible seating arrangement will be used, Member States that are not members of the Council, representatives of intergovernmental organizations as well as of the United Nations system that wish to participate, should communicate their intention to participate to the secretariat (e-mail duap@un.org), *no later than 12:00, on Wednesday, 1 June 2016*, in order to be provided a seat in the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more details on the STI forum, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail liuw@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3212). Additional information is also available on the website of the STI forum (*click here*) and the tentative programme is available by *clicking here*.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Informal briefing

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

Informal briefing on: (a) UNICEF Office of Internal Audit and Investigations 2015 annual report to the Executive Board and management response; and (b) Report of the Ethics Office of UNICEF for 2015

All interested delegations are invited.

Annual session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016 Conference Room 3

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2016/5. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by *clicking here*. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but *no later than Friday, 10 June 2016*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The upcoming 2016 annual session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board website.

All session documents will continue to be available on the existing 'Documents' webpage, as per established practice. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board homepage will provide a link to the 'In-session' webpage that will make available all supporting documentation (Powerpoints and statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the 'In-session' webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website. The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for individual delegations.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal briefing

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

10:00 to 12:00 Hank Shannon Conference Room (DC1-Building, 21st Floor)

Informal briefing on the revised UNDP evaluation policy

All interested delegations are invited.

Annual session 2016

Monday, 6, to Friday, 10 June 2016 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2016/L.2. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list, to Ms. Henrietta Bledman (e-mail henrietta.bledman@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org) for UNFPA.

The annual session 2016 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission.

Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal. Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *15 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services; the United Nations Children's Fund; the World Food Programme; and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Joint meeting

Friday, 3 June 2016

10:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

All member and observer delegations are invited.

United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultation

Friday, 3 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room A

Informal consultation on the annual report of the Executive Director of UNOPS

All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming conferences at Headquarters

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of the States Parties
Ninth session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are *164* States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is *109* States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

The *general debate* will take place on Tuesday, 14 June in the morning. To facilitate the preparation of list of speakers, *is open* for inscription, delegations are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat, *by 17:00, Tuesday, 7 June 2016, at the latest*, the relevant information, indicating the full name and title of the speaker. Inscriptions, shall be sent directly to the secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org).

The *election* to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information).

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the secretariat via e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905).

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For *further information* concerning the Conference of the States Parties, please contact the secretariat via e-mail (zhangg@un.org and enable@un.org), or visit UN Enable website (www.un.org/disabilities).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) (at the ambassadorial level)

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

High-level event entitled "National Contributions to Sustainable Development Goal 7 and Sustainable Energy for All (Astana EXPO-2017): Exploring New Horizons" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan, the Department of Economic and Social Council (DESA), the United Nations Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS), Sustainable Energy for All, the National Company Astana EXPO-2017, Nazarbayev University, the International Secretariat of G-Global and the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development)

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Ruslan Bultrikov, Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan (e-mail bultrikov@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 230-1900).

Special event entitled "Building Bridges – Not Boycotts" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Israel)

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

10:00 to 12:00 General Assembly Hall

13:15 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 4

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Michal Carmeli, Permanent Mission of Israel (e-mail unevents@newyork.mfa.gov.il; tel. 1 (212) 499-5696).

Special event entitled "Fast Track the HIV/AIDS Response for Adolescents and Youth" (on the occasion of the negotiations on the political declaration of the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Kenya and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA))

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room B

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Renata Cap, UNFPA (e-mail cap@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-5187).

Event entitled "E-Justice: Sharing National Experiences in Enhancing Transparency, Effectiveness and Access to Justice" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy, Mexico and Turkey and the Rule of Law Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (on behalf of the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group))

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (Ms. Adriana de la Espriella (e-mail delaespriella@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2962); or Ms. Lilibeth Benitez (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2935)).

Technical briefing on "Monitoring the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030 and promoting coherence with the Sustainable Development Goals" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Jamaica, in collaboration with the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) and the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ina Hidayat, UNISDR (e-mail hidayat@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9534).

Event on "The Importance of Fatherhood and Motherhood for Integral Development" (organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, in collaboration with the Universal Peace Federation)

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

15:00 to 17:00

Conference Room 1

All are invited. For more information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail office@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885).

Panel discussion on "Promoting Migrant Integration and Combating Xenophobia" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and South Africa, in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration (IOM))

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kate Gough, IOM (e-mail kgough@iom.int; tel. 1 (212) 681-7000, ext. 263); or *click here*. To register, please *click here*.

Round table on "Prevention of Violent Extremism through Education" (co-organized by the secretariat of the United Nations Secretary-General's Global Education First Initiative (UNSG GEFI), in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Andorra, the Republic of Korea and Tunisia)

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 12:30

Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Boran Choi, Global Education First Initiative (e-mail b.choi@unesco.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5989). For registration, please *click here*.

Special high-level event on "Wildlife Crime and New York Launch of the *World Wildlife Crime Report* (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Germany and Gabon, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS))

Monday, 6 June 2016

11:00 to 13:00

Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact the UNODC New York Office (e-mail unodcny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5698).

Event entitled "Peace Operations in Action: Developing Capacity for Weapons and Ammunition Management – Case Studies from the Central African Republic and Côte d'Ivoire" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Lithuania and the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS))

Monday, 6 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Aaron Buckley, UNMAS (e-mail buckleya@un.org).

Panel discussion on "Prosecuting Conflict-Related Sexual Violence: Lessons Learned from the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY)" (with the ICTY Prosecutor and Principal Legal Counsel) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Belgium and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Tuesday, 7 June 2016

11:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Emily Kenney, UN-Women (e-mail emily.kenney@unwomen.org).

Event entitled "Fighting Slavery: Is there a Role for International Criminal Justice?" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein, in collaboration with the United Nations University)

Friday, 10 June 2016

15:00 to 16:30 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information and for registration, please contact Mr. Joern Eiermann, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail je@nyc.llv.li).

Announcements

Briefing to permanent missions

There will be a briefing to permanent missions by the Assistant Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management on the new e-Speakers system, to be launched in June 2016. The briefing will be held on Thursday, 2 June 2016, from 15:00 to 16:00, in Conference Room 1. Focal points and back-up users from the missions are invited to attend this briefing. Note verbale 16/227 on the briefing was sent to all permanent missions on Monday, 23 May 2016. Missions which have not yet registered to the e-Speakers system are invited to register, *as soon as possible*, and before the briefing, by *clicking here.*

Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice (Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (OLA))

The Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs is organizing a seminar on "Treaty Law and Practice: The Work of the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs" (in English only) for delegates of permanent missions, to be held at Headquarters, on Friday, 10 June 2016, from 10:00 to 18:00.

All interested in attending the Seminar should register, *in advance*, by sending an e-mail indicating their name, title and contact information, to Ms. Dina Hamdy (hamdyd@un.org), by *Tuesday, 7 June 2016, at the latest*.

2016 election of the International Law Commission

The election of the members of the Commission, for a five-year term beginning on Sunday, 1 January 2017, will take place at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly.

The permanent representatives are reminded that the Secretary-General would be grateful to receive, *in writing*, by *Wednesday, 1 June 2016*, the names of the candidates which their Government may wish to nominate for election to the International Law Commission, together with the statements of qualifications of such candidates.

For more information, please visit the website of the International Law Commission (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal affairs (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org).

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, *by Tuesday, 31 May 2016,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventy-first session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 44/1160, paras. 8 and 9, entitled "Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil Thereof", adopted on 15 December 1989 (Note verbale ODA/26-2016/WMD-Sea-Bed dated 12 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 69/61, para. 9, entitled "Women, disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/29-2016/WDNPAC dated 18 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 69/65, paras. 2, 3 and 4, entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/28-2016/DNPE dated 16 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/24, paras. 10 and 11, entitled "Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/38-2016/NWFZME dated 1 March 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/30, para. 4, entitled "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/9-2016/EN dated 15 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/31, para. 8, entitled "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/10-2016/ML dated 15 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/34, para. 14, entitled "Follow-up to the 2013 high-level meeting of the General Assembly on nuclear disarmament", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/22-2016/HLM-ND dated 11 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/36, para. 5, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/21-2016/WMD-T dated 11 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/39, para. 3, entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons and other explosive devices", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/37-2016/FMCT dated 25 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/42, para. 8, entitled "Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/40-2016/CMB dated 14 March 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/56, para. 3, entitled "Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/23-2016/ICJ dated 10 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/72, para. 8, entitled "Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/39-2016/SSCMR dated 4 March 2016 refers); and

Resolution 70/237, para. 4, entitled "Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security", adopted on 23 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/11-2016/IS dated 15 February 2016 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line (please *click here*), *by today,* 27 May 2016, the information relevant to Resolution 68/43, paras. 3, 4, 5 and 6 (a), entitled "Transparency in armaments", adopted on 5 December 2013 (Note verbale ODA/18-2016/TIA dated 4 March 2016 refers).

International Law Seminar for African Universities — Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The first International Law Seminar for African Universities is scheduled to take place at the Kofi Annan Centre in Accra, Ghana, from Monday, 15, to Friday, 26 August 2016, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of teachers from academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the host country, Ghana, the Kofi Annan Centre, the African Union and the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116.

Information concerning the seminar is available on the website of the African Institute of International Law. The seminar is subject to funding by voluntary contributions.

The Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations wishes to express her gratitude to China, Italy and New Zealand for their generous contributions to support the seminar. Additional voluntary contributions are urgently needed to support this seminar.

For more information, please see the website of the African Institute of International Law (*click here*); or contact the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (21 June 2016): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should only be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn. Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; Room S-2905)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room DC1-213)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the months of *May* and *June 2016*:

General Assembly documentation

Introduction to United Nations documents

Security Council documentation

Research on the United Nations Charter

Law Library overview

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 23 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

19th and 20th meetings — The summary of the 19th and 20th meetings of the Review Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/105).

Tuesday, 24 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

21st and 22nd meetings — The summary of the 21st and 22nd meetings of the Review Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/105).

Wednesday, 25 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

23rd and 24th meetings — The summary of the 23rd and 24th meetings of the Review Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/105).

Thursday, 26 May 2016

Security Council

[archived video]

7698th meeting — *The situation in Libya*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Libya to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Ms. Fatou Bensouda, Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Ms. Bensouda.

Statements were made by the representatives of China, Uruguay, Senegal, the United States, Malaysia, the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation, Angola, Ukraine, New Zealand, Spain, France, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Japan, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative Egypt.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Libya.

7699th meeting

Peace and security in Africa

Challenges in the Sahel region

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited Mr. Mohammed Ibn Chambas, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Office for West Africa and the Sahel, Mr. Jean-Paul Laborde, Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate and Assistant Secretary-General, Ms. Monique Barbut, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, and Ms. Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim, Coordinator of the Association for Indigenous Women and Peoples of Chad, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited His Excellency Pierre Buyoya, African Union High Representative for Mali and the Sahel, and His Excellency Angel Losada, European Union Special Representative for the Sahel, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Chambas (via video-teleconference from Niamey), Mr. Laborde, Ms. Barbut and Ms. Ibrahim.

Statements were made by the representatives of Senegal, Spain, China, the United Kingdom, Uruguay, the United States, Japan, France, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Ukraine, New Zealand, Angola, Malaysia and the Russian Federation, and by the President speaking in his capacity as the representative of Egypt.

The Council heard statements by His Excellence Pierre Buyoya and His Excellency Angel Losada.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

25th and 26th meetings The summary of the 25th and 26th meetings of the Review Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/105).

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2016 resumed session

23rd meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of India, South Africa, Cuba, Turkey, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United States and Burundi.

The representative of the United States proposed a roll-call vote on the recommendation to grant special consultative status to the non-governmental organization, the Committee to Protect Journalists.

Statements in the explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Greece, South Africa, the Russian Federation, Pakistan and the Sudan.

The Committee, by a roll-call vote of 10 to 6, with 3 abstentions, rejected the proposal of the United States delegation.

A general statement was made by the representative of the United States.

The Secretary of the Committee provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, China and Nicaragua.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 18 non-governmental organizations.

24th meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, the United States, Azerbaijan, the Sudan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Mauritania, Nicaragua, South Africa, China, India, Israel, the Russian Federation and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, as well as by the observers for the Syrian Arab Republic, Qatar and the Netherlands.

The Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The representatives of South Africa and India posed questions to the representative of the following non-governmental organizations: Conselho Indigenista Missionario CIMI; and Ambedkar Center for Justice and Peace.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 17 non-governmental organizations.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Thursday, 26 May 2016

General Assembly

International Law Commission
Sixty-eighth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

3305th meeting — *Cooperation with other bodies* [item 13]

The representative of the Inter-American Juridical Committee, Mr. Gélin Imanès Collot, addressed the Commission. An exchange of views followed.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Minamata Convention on Mercury. Kumamoto, 10 October 2013

Ratification: Switzerland (25 May 2016)

Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice for the Region of Latin America and the Caribbean
Mexico City (18-20 July 2016)

The seminar is co-organized by the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations (OLA) and the Office of the Legal Advisor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Mexican States.

The seminar will address the key aspects of treaty law and practice, including the depositary functions of the Secretary-General, final clauses of multilateral treaties, reservations and declarations, domestic treaty-making practices, and the registration and publication of treaties under article 102 of the Charter. In addition, special sessions will be devoted to international human rights instruments and the newly-adopted Paris Agreement on Climate Change. All presentations will be delivered in Spanish.

Aimed at providing a practical understanding of the law of treaties, the seminar will be of particular interest to members of foreign ministries and other government departments who work directly in treaty matters as part of their functions. Representatives from all States in the region of Latin America and the Caribbean are invited to participate. Participants are required to meet their own costs of participation.

For more information, please consult the United Nations Treaty Collection website (*click here*).

Further enquiries may be addressed to Mr. Jonathan Agar, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail agar@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2630).

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Zimbabwe
His Excellency Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava

Asia-Pacific States
Iraq
His Excellency Mohamed Ali Alhakim

Eastern European States
Bosnia and Herzegovina
His Excellency Miloš Vukašinović

Latin American and Caribbean States
Bahamas
His Excellency Elliston Rahming

Western European and other States
Monaco
Her Excellency Isabelle Picco

General Assembly
Seventieth session

For the online schedule of formal and informal meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

For *future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council* pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, the election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place *in the afternoon* on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

The *election of the President* of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the *election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees* at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-first session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/50.

Request for conference rooms and services at United Nations Headquarters

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After a conference room has been assigned in eMeets, please contact the following offices if other services are also needed:

For access and security-related matters, please contact Lieutenant Malinda McCormack/DSS (e-mail mccormackm@un.org, or levyd@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7028);

For nameplates, podium signs and room set-up, please contact the Preparatory Work Team/DGACM (e-mail prepwork@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7348);

For PaperSmart Portal matters, please contact the PaperSmart Team/DGACM (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7349);

For publishing material for inclusion in the *Journal*, please contact the Journal Unit/DGACM (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888; or 1 (212) 963-0493);

For media access and accreditation, please contact the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit/DPI (e-mail malu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6934);

For detailed information on the policies and procedures regarding the use of conference rooms, facilities and services at the United Nations Headquarters, please refer to document ST/AI/416.

Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

Useful *links* to United Nations documentation resources can be found at www.un.org/documents. The Official Document System (ODS) features an enhanced search page (documents.un.org) which, using keywords, facilitates considerably the search and retrieval of documents.

eSubscription for a simple and fast alternate way to access United Nations parliamentary documents electronically through the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management's eSubscription service, please *click here*.

Based on RSS feeds (Really Simple Syndication), the latest edition of the *Journal* and parliamentary documents issued daily at Headquarters can be accessed readily on a computer or hand-held smart device. Sign-up is free and easy by visiting the eSubscription page at www.undocs.org.

An overview of all documents with the options "e-mail" or "RSS" next to each document category is located there. After sign-up, documents will be sent to the subscriber via e-mail as soon as they are made available. Comments, questions and suggestions are invited to be sent to help-desk@un.org.

The *DGACM Documents Assistance Centre (DAC)* located in the North Delegates Lounge in Room CB-0264 is a central point of support for delegates seeking documentation assistance. In addition, the Delegates' Documents Counter is located adjacent to the Accessibility Centre in Room S-01B32. To contact the DAC, please call 1 (212) 963-2105; and/or e-mail dac@un.org.

Conference Officer Desks and/or Documents Counters are located in each of the following conference rooms in the Secretariat Building: Conference Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4, the General Assembly Hall, the Economic and Social Council Chamber and the Trusteeship Council Chamber, where documents for the meeting being held at that time may be obtained.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed dpa-scsb3@un.org; Room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call 1 (212) 963-5258.

The *website of the Presidency* of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Information about previously *unscheduled meetings* and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling 1 (212) 963-5258.

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of *prepared statements* which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to

all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered.

Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; Room S-0220).

Information regarding the *Journal of the United Nations*

The *Journal of the United Nations* is issued daily in English and in French. During the main part of the General Assembly session (September to December), it is also issued in Arabic, Chinese, Russian and Spanish.

Kindly take note that the English and French versions of the *Journal* are accessible to blind and visually impaired users via screen readers.

Back issues of the *Journal*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp and www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp. All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcome. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

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Emergency information and updates can be obtained on the United Nations Headquarters Emergency Information website at emergency.un.org/ and delegateinfo.un.int. The website also offers the option of subscription to e-mail, SMS and voice call alerts.

In addition, a hotline number for updates during weather emergencies or other urgent situations can be accessed by calling 1 (212) 963-9800.

Touch screen information kiosks

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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Thursday, 26 May 2016

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations http://documents.un.org in the electronic version of the present Journal.

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